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Notice of Allowability**Application No.**

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Applicant(s)

HAGIHARA ET AL.

Examiner

DOUGLAS S. LEE

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 5/23/2007.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-7.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
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3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 6/16/2006
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

/Albert DeCady/
Supervisory Patent Examiner, Art Unit 2121

DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-7 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Regarding claim 1, the allowability, at least in part, resides in a control device which receives a position feed forward signal (x_{ff}), a torque feed-forward signal (t_{ff}), and a position detection value (x_{fb}) of a controlled object, calculates a manipulated variable so that the position detection value (x_{fb}) coincides with the position feed-forward signal (x_{ff}), and outputs the manipulated variable, fails to teach in part wherein the error signal calculation unit outputs a signal given by multiplying an error (err) given by subtracting the position detection value (x_{fb}) from the position feed-forward signal by a gain α as an error command (err_ref), and outputs a signal given by changing a sign of the error (err) and multiplying a gain β as an error feedback value (err_fb), and wherein the error compensation operation unit controls so that the error command (err_ref) and the error feedback value (err_fb) coincide, and outputs an error torque command value (err_tref), and adds the torque feed-forward signal (t_{ff}) and the error torque command value (err_tref) to give the manipulated variable (tref).

Regarding claim 2, the allowability, at least in part, resides in a control operation device comprising a speed control portion which receives a position feed forward signal (x_{ff}), a speed feed-forward signal (v_{ff}), a torque feed-forward signal (t_{ff}), and a position detection value (x_{fb}) of a controlled object, and a speed detection value (v_{fb}) of the controlled object, calculates a manipulated variable so that the position detection value

(x_{fb}) of the controlled object coincides with the position feed-forward signal (x_{ff}), and outputs the manipulated variable, fails to teach in part wherein the error signal calculation unit outputs a signal given by multiplying an error (err) given by subtracting the position detection value (x_{fb}) from the position feed-forward signal (x_{ff}) by a gain (α) as an error command (err_ref), and outputs a signal given by changing a sign of the error (err) and multiplying a gain (β) as an error feedback value (err_fb), and wherein the error compensation operation unit controls so that the error command (err_ref) and the error feedback value (err_fb) coincide, and outputs an error torque command value (err_tref), inputs a signal (v_{err}) given by subtracting a speed detection value (v_{fb}) from the speed feed-forward signal (v_{ff}) into the speed control portion, and adds the torque feed-forward signal (t_{ff}) and the error torque command value (err_tref) to give the manipulated variable (t_{ref}).

Regarding claim 3, the allowability, at least in part, resides in a control operation device comprising a speed control portion which receives a position feed forward signal (x_{ff}), a speed feed-forward signal (v_{ff}), a torque feed-forward signal (t_{ff}), and a position detection value (x_{fb}) of a controlled object, and a speed detection value (v_{fb}) of the controlled object, calculates a manipulated variable so that the position detection value (x_{fb}) of the controlled object coincides with the position feed-forward signal (x_{ff}), and outputs the manipulated variable, fails to teach in part wherein the error signal calculation unit outputs a signal given by multiplying an error (err) given by subtracting the position detection value (x_{fb}) from the position feed-forward signal (x_{ff}) by a gain (α) as an error command (err_ref), and outputs a signal given by changing a sign of the

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error (err) and multiplying a gain (β) as an error feedback value (err_fb), and wherein the error compensation operation unit controls so that the error command (err_ref) and the error feedback value (err_fb) coincide, and outputs an error speed command value (err_vref), inputs a signal (vrr) given by adding a speed feed-forward signal (vff) and the error speed command value (err_vref) and subtracting a speed detection value (vfb) therefrom into the speed control portion, and adds the torque feed-forward signal (tff) and a feedback torque command value (tfb) outputted from the speed control portion to give the manipulated variable (tref).

Regarding claims 4-7, the allowability, at least in part, resides in a control operation device comprising a speed control portion which receives a position feed forward signal (xff), a speed feed-forward signal (vff), a torque feed-forward signal (tff), and a position detection value (xfb) of a controlled object, and a speed detection value (vfb) of the controlled object, calculates a manipulated variable so that the position detection value (xfb) of the controlled object coincides with the position feed-forward signal (xff), and outputs the manipulated variable, fails to teach in part wherein the error signal calculation unit outputs a signal given by multiplying an error (err) given by subtracting the position detection value (xfb) from the position feed-forward signal by a gain α as an error command (err_ref), and outputs a signal given by changing a sign of the error (err) and multiplying a gain β as an error feedback value (err_fb), and wherein the error compensation operation unit controls so that the error command (err_ref) and the error feedback value (err_fb) coincide, and outputs an error speed command value (err_vref), inputs a signal (vrr) given by adding a speed feed-forward signal (vff)

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and the error speed command value (err_vref) and subtracting a speed detection value (vfb) therefrom into the speed control portion, and gives a signal outputted from the speed control portion as the manipulated variable (tref).

Conclusion

1. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to examiner Douglas Lee, whose telephone number is (571) 272-3745. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:00AM- 4:30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, *Albert Decady*, can be reached on (571) 272-3997 or via e-mail addressed to *[albert.decady@uspto.gov]*. The fax number for this Group is (571) 273-8300. Communications via Internet e-mail regarding this application, other than those under 35 U.S.C. 132 or which otherwise require a signature, may be used by the applicant and should be addressed to **[doug.lee@uspto.gov]**.

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